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Tracy L. Jeffords—Rumor has it that he is to succeed a prominent District officer.



Vice-President, Hobart,—He is to be succeeded by Governor Roosevelt on the next Presidential ticket.





Because they are not satisfied after they leave home.

We often dig a hole for others that we fall into ourselves.

Speak the truth all some times.

The Senate committee will investigate the workhouse.

If you want to know why the workhouse is over-crowded investigate the Police Court.

Our public schools are progressing nicely.

What can you expect when you tell an untruth.

The Police trial board is a great institution.

Will the Commissioners recommend a change in the jury system in the Police Court?

Congressman White is to be complimented on his speech.

Are there to be any more banquets?

The 2nd Baptist literary is in need of a new head.

Will Bishop Johnson make a change?

Speak what you know and nothing more.

Never tell your friends all you know, it will not pay.

It is not well always to play tricks on your friends.

Register Lyons, knows when to talk and what to talk about.

We often get conceited to our detriment.

The President will not appoint a negro general or colonel.

In our effort sometimes to injure others we injure ourselves.

A sample of the above is being recently rejected negro lieutenant.

Dr. Phill B. Brooks is a popular physic

out those who elevate us.

White men may find it unhealthy to go to Cuba.

Rev. Taylor of Shiloh will start another literary soon.

Some people talk too much, especially when they are in trouble.

The world is a stage where people are merely players.

Do your duty and nothing more.

When you are with a fellow man, be just to your fellow man.

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John F. Cook would make an excellent treasurer of Howard University.

Major Sylvester makes an excellent chief of police.

Do your duty. It is noble.

The Afro-American council was a fizzle.

Maurice Smith would make a judge.

The people don't want offices of the justice of the peace abolished.

Some people cannot stand prosperity.

Never allow a position to turn your head.

There should be one colored bailiff in the Police Court.

You should never be impressed with the idea that you know it all.

You should never allow conceit to control your better judgement.

The Senate committee will investigate the Police Court.

Think wisely and express yourself intelligently.

The South may be reconstructed some time soon.

The republican party will have a hard struggle in 1900.

Never despise the day of small things.

The bogus committee of the Afro-American council should disband.

If you are honest you need have no fear of doing your duty.

The negro pulpit is in need of a reorganization.

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one of the richest countries of the earth in minerals. On his lands are coal, iron, copper and asbestos mines and many oil wells. He owns commercial enterprises of every sort, and through his energy the business of Newfoundland is rapidly being developed. He possesses pluck as well as ability, for on one occasion he ventured into a mine where none of his workmen would follow, and the explosion which ensued severely injured him.

Mr. Reid is a quiet unassuming man, and possesses so much wealth that he takes rank among the richest men of the world.

Certain Test of Death.

R. Chalmers Prentice, who has been practising for many years in Chicago as an oculist, asserts that he can infallibly tell whether death is present or not by simply noting the appearance of the veins and arteries of the eye. His experiments in this line began many years ago, and he has never known his simple test to fail. In cases of suspended animation where others have pronounced death his test has proved that life still existed.

Dr. Prentice has observed that during life, when the back portion of the eye is being looked at with an ophthalmoscope, the veins can be clearly distinguished from the arteries. The former, containing venous blood, richly charged with carbonic acid gas, appear of a dark, brackish color, while the arteries, containing blood fresh from the heart, appear a bright crimson.

The difference between the two shades of color is so clearly marked that mistake is impossible, and the retina appears as if made up of two separate colors.

The arteries and veins, however, are not situated in the retina, but directly behind it, in that coat of the eyeball known as the choroid. Even in the case of the blind this color distinction is present unless a cataract exists, when the use of an ophthalmoscope would be impossible.

Dr. Prentice has found that in death the shade distinction entirely disappears and the blood in both arteries and veins is transformed into a pinkish color of uniform shade.

Largest Ranch in the World.

It seems natural that the largest ranch in the world should be found in the largest State in the Union—Texas. Indeed, this ranch is so extensive that some States could not contain it. Connecticut, for example, could not hold it by several thousand acres.

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Among those tempted by this offer were ex-Senator Charles B. Farwell and his brother John, who ultimately formed a syndicate in Chicago and took upon themselves the responsibility of erecting the proposed capitol.

Their part of the agreement appears to have been carried out to the satisfaction of the State, and in due time they came into possession of the immense domain now known as the X. T. ranch.—Ladies' Home Journal.

The German Patent System.

German patents are especially valuable, because the search for previous publications is, comparatively speaking, thorough. The government takes so responsibility, however, for the correctness of its examination. The claims are also reduced to a minimum of conciseness. The public are invited to produce evidences of priority, or otherwise attack the claims of the inventors. To this end the papers are publicly exposed for six weeks after the patent office has finished its examination and before the patent is definitely granted. Much patent litigation is probably thereby avoided, and the public is less likely to be led into the investments based on patents lacking in novelty and unable to withstand the attacks which commercial success is sure to call down upon them. If a patent can exist five years without being attacked, it is sure of the rest of its term.—The Engineering Magazine.

She Wasn't Sure.

Ethel—Did Will seem to be nervous when he proposed to you?

Francis—I don't know. The father had let the steam go down, and I couldn't tell whether he was nervous or merely shivering because it had got to gold.—Chicago News.

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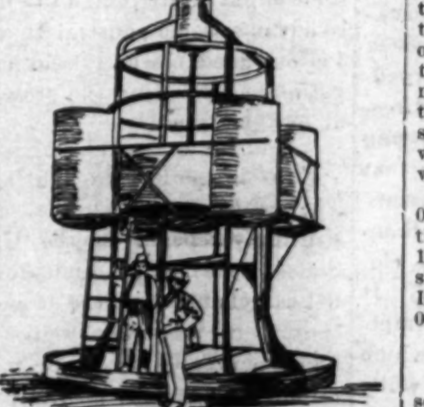
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The present device differs radically from everything that has hitherto been suggested, and at least has the appearance of an attempt to solve the problem on logical and scientific lines.
The primary idea in the mind of the inventor, doubtless suggested by the ease with which any buoyant bodies from ordinary floats to 15,000 ton battle ships are tossed by the action of the sea, has been to devise a means for utilizing the lifting power of waves. For his collector of the power exerted he has taken for a model the familiar buoy of sheet iron, which, securely anchored to the bottom, bobs merrily up and down as lightly as a cork for all that. If it is a buoy of the first class, it may be as big and heavy as the largest steam boiler. Take such a great buoy and attach to it a cylinder and piston in such a manner that the lifting of the buoy will force up the piston and compress the air within the cylinder, and you have the principle of the device which its inventor believes will supersede all other known sources of power.
The possibility of using air thus compressed was suggested by the recent wonderful advances in the application of electricity, the success of which has created a new demand for a cheap initial power for the production of the electric current. In studying the history of previous attempts to utilize wave power the inventor was struck by the idea that in all devices the cardinal principle of indestructibility had never been taken into account, and that machine after machine had fallen a victim to the fury of the very power which it was designed to control.
This still further convinced him that something in the nature of a buoy which should be proof against any amount of buffeting presented the best solution of the problem. The result of his studies and of many experiments has been the production of an air compressing buoy, or what he terms a "collector" of compressed air.
Four of these collectors, standing thirty of forty feet high and built of steel plates and framing, have just been completed for the company in Greenpoint and it is intended that they soon shall be placed in operation. Provision is made to securely anchor the collectors at a short distance from shore where water is still deep enough to give the waves full play. The construction of the anchors is ingenious and makes it absolutely impossible for one of the collectors to be carried away in the heaviest storm. Each collector is kept afloat by four large cylindrical tanks, forming a part of the general structure, and the rising and

LETTERS WRITTEN IN ENGLISH IN 1893
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ITALIAN 244,000,000
FRENCH 1,000,000,000
GERMAN 1,300,000,000

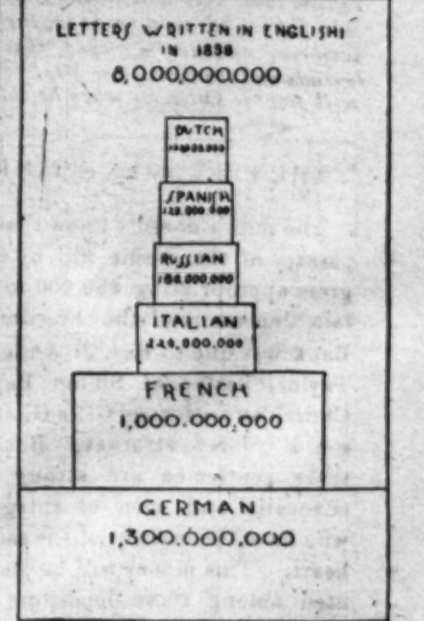
THE WORLD'S MAIL IN DETAIL.
At the beginning of this century about twelve per cent. of the civilized world spoke English, at the middle of the century it was nineteen per cent. and now, at its close, it is thirty per cent. The increase in letter writing has been far more rapid than this, and now out of the enormous number of 10,000,000,000 letters posted last year 8,000,000,000 were written in English.
The march of intelligence headed by the English speaking races, the wonderful decrease of illiteracy among them, and the demands of commerce, with these same races in its van, have brought this result. Commerce has extended the post office system to all parts of the globe, into every nook and corner of the civilized world, and its language has been evolved from the English tongue. All races that enter into commerce of necessity learn more or less of the English language, and to some considerable extent carry on their business in English. Any one who reads the English speaking person's letter because more of them know how to write, for while ninety-one per cent of them have this accomplishment, but a little more than one-half of the persons speaking other modern languages can write their names. This is why the mail matter of the world for last year held thirty-one letters for each English speaking person. German came next with twenty-four, and French followed with seventeen for each person.
Next to the English, with its 8,000,000,000 letters written last year, comes the German with 1,300,000,000; French, 1,000,000,000; Italian, 220,000,000; Russian, 180,000,000; Spanish, 120,000,000; Dutch, 100,000,000; Scandinavian, 80,000,000, and Portuguese, 24,000,000.



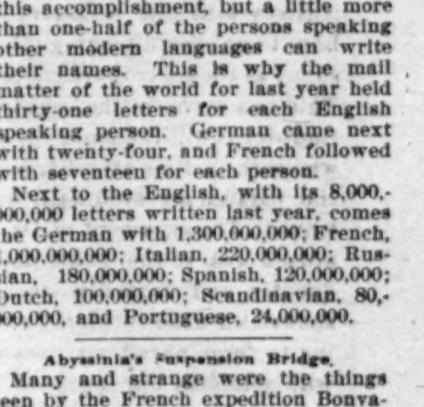
"OLD OCEAN TO BE HARNESSSED."
falling of the whole mass operates the piston and compresses the air in the cylinder which stands on the top of the buoy. It is intended that a large number shall be anchored in a group and operated in unison.
From each cylinder a strong but flexible tube runs parallel with the anchor chain to the anchor, and thence along the sea bottom to a power station on the shore, where the compressed air from each collector is received in a separate tank. As the pressure of the air from the various collectors may differ materially, the air is finally drawn into a general tank, where the pressure is graduated to the desired amount and it is then ready to do its work in operating a big compressed air engine which revolves the dynamos by which electricity is generated. In the form of electricity the power originally drawn from the sea is finally ready for any one of the thousand services demanded of it. If the principle proves to be successful it is the intention of the company to go into the business of producing and selling electrical power on a gigantic scale, there apparently being no limit to the energy they will save at their command.

Alimentary Value of Fish.
The alimentary value of fish is indispensable; it is wholesome and nutritious, and in its wide range of quality and flavor affords gratification to the coarsest as well as the most refined palate. Moreover, in primary cost it is the cheapest of flesh foods, and should therefore be the universal aliment, everywhere a staple dish upon the family board. To most, however, it is substantially a luxury; in many localities it is not obtainable fresh, and so falls into public disfavor; but even where presented in acceptable condition the accommodation is usually effected with difficulty and expense, involving a corresponding limitation of sale. Thus it is that the consumer is dissatisfied, the dealer is not content, and the producer, the poor fisherman, rightly bewails his lot, for he profits least. It can be truthfully said that there is no branch of civilized effort wherein the producer receives so small a proportion of the ultimate or consumer's price as does the taker of the sea for the unchanged product of his labor.

ENGLISH AS IT IS WRITTEN.
Half as Many More Letters in That Language as in All Others Combined.
English is written more than any other language. Statistics for 1893 emphasize the fact that more letters are written in English than in all of the other languages together.
To be more exact, three-fourths of all the letters that go into the mails of the world are in English. This remarkable fact is the more impressive when we remember that only about one-fourth of the civilized world speaks our language. There are substantially 500,000,000 persons who speak the ten chief modern tongues, and of these 150,000,000 speak English. But the number is increasing rapidly—beyond all proportion as compared with the growth of other languages—and as the English speaking people increase in numbers, not only do the letters in the language increase, but the number of letters per capita also increase.



Abyssinia's Suspension Bridge.
Many and strange were the things seen by the French expedition Bonvalot de Bonchamps in Africa, but nothing stranger than the bridge of vines over the Omo River in Abyssinia, which is pictured from a photograph taken by a member of the party.
In most parts of Africa bridges are undreamed of; big rivers are crossed by rafts and little ones forded. But in the mountains of Abyssinia the torrents that pour down to join the Nile are not so lightly stemmed. Over one of these the Abyssinians, who have something like a settled country and stable government, have thrown the bridge.



ABYSSINIA'S SUSPENSION BRIDGE.
Unlike the Brooklyn Bridge or the Suspension Bridge at Niagara, these Abyssinian engineers had no cable, no scientific bands of steel. Instead they had only nature's growth with which to withstand nature's force. But ingenuity succeeds in the absence of other resources.
It is built upon the suspension plan, hung from big cables made of twisted creepers; from these depend the uprights bearing the floor supports. The roadway is very narrow for no one ever travels across the hills except with caravans of porters bearing trade goods.
The skill with which the bridge is built is something marvelous.



A BRILLIANT MARRIAGE.

The 19th Street Baptist Church was filled to its utmost capacity on last Wednesday evening to witness the marriage of Mr. W. L. Lewis to Miss Emma Cusberd. Rev. W. H. Brooks performed the wedding ceremony and Prof. John Lewis presided at the organ. The bride was attended by her father and Mr. Kelly did the honor of best man. The altar was beautifully decorated with palms and other plants from the desk hung the favorite initials of the bride C. E., the symbol of the Christian Endeavor of which she is president. The bride was attired in a magnificent gown of white tulle and tulle, trimmed with white lace and chiffon, white tulle veil fastened with orange blossoms and wore a brooch necklace of pearls. The bridesmaid, Miss Ella Cusberd wore a white dotted swiss with satin sash. The flower girl, Miss Edina Tyree wore a white swiss dress and carried a large bouquet of white carnations. The bride and the bridesmaid carried a large bouquet of la France roses and carnations. The groom met his bride at the altar and in the happy bonds of matrimony they were joined together. The presents were many and very beautiful; among which were a silver tea set from the faculty of Columbia University. Miss Nellie Pinkett, silver berry spoon; Miss James Pinn, silver spoon; Mr. Wm. Pinn, a silver tea strainer; Mr. Griffin and wife, gold trimmed cut glass pitcher; Mr. Pebbles and wife, toilet set; A. F. Boston and sisters, salad dish, cut glass pitcher and cake stand; Miss J. E. Anderson, embroidered pin cushion; Miss Mary Ferguson bed spread; Eddie Howard oil hand painting; James Neal, medallion painting; Lucinda Shorter, cut glass water carafe; Miss A. E. Thompson, pillow shams; Miss M. V. Tibbs, half dozen silver tea spoons; Dr. Conner and wife, half dozen tea napkins; J. T. Johnson, Dresden clock; R. T. Jones, silver chocolate pot; Mr. Clinton Johnson, bureau set; Dr. A. H. Stevens, silver butter dish; Mrs. Victoria Bell, cut glass pitcher; Mr. Benj. Warrick, silver berry bowl; James Cusberd, silver tea service; Messrs. Edmond Scott and Ellis Brown, ebony clock; Deacon Henry Jones, silver pudding dish; Christian Endeavor, 12 silver knives and forks; Miss S. J. Carter, custard dish; Mrs. Lena and Lillie Holmes, slipper; Mrs. Sabbs, bed spread; Miss M. Jarvis, scarf and powder box; Mr. and Gilmore, cups and saucers and bowl; Henry Jarvis, Sr., pudding dish; Mrs. Lucy Scott and daughter, bed spread; L. Thompson, picture; Miss Ella A. Brown, half doz. pie plates, half doz. bread and butter plates; W. T. Hall, tea pot; Charles Carter, wine set; Mrs. J. A. Langhorn, scrap basket; Mr. John R. Brown and wife, comfort; Mr. and Mrs. Gates, platter; Mrs. Stanard, rack, shovel, and puff box; Miss Francis Brown, picture frames; Mr. Burgess and wife, vase; Mr. Morris and wife, cuspidors and bed spread; Miss Ethel Davis, white kid slippers; Miss Jennie Dean, money; Mrs. K. Marshall, bureau scarf; Mrs. Lewis Collier, two Damask towels; J. Tucker, carving dish; Mrs. Proctor and Miss Watson, water glasses; Howard L. Hodgkins and wife, silver butter dish; Rosetta Boston, china water pitcher; R. N. Scott and wife, finger bowls; Ella Boston, china platter; Julia Peters, handkerchiefs; T. Layton and wife, napkin rings; Wm. G. Gray, mustard spoon; Mrs. Marguerite Moss, Damask towels; Mr. Ruffin and wife, china water pitcher; G. B. Anderson and wife, cut glass berry dish; Mrs. Nellie W. Clark, tea set; Mary and Carry Bradford, cracker jar; W. H. Harris and wife, Bisque ornament; Peter Walker and wife, bureau set; Mrs. O. L. White, ice cream set; Miss N. Burroughs, berry dish; Sara J. Carter, berry spoon; Mrs. Chisolm and daughter, dish, father and sisters, toilet set; Wm. Stewart, plates, the Misses Woodson, oil stove; Mamie Tyree, cake plate and vase; Parthena Tyree, vinegar bottle; Mr. Whips and wife, bulion cup; Abba Allen, silver butter dish; Mrs. Henry Tweney, table cloth and napkin; Ella Johnson, chocolate set; Edmunds, plates and three tea pieces; Miss Gibbs, sugar spoon; Mr. and Mrs. Pollard, pin trays; J. W. Hawkins and wife, cream set; M. Woodson, butter and berry dishes; Joseph Lee and wife, pin trays; Richard Pollard, towels; Alice Jefferson, ornaments; Philip Mercer and wife, towels; Mrs. John King, half dozen glass dishes; Wm. Queen and wife, bread box; Mr. Jenkins and wife, large vase; Bagby and wife, two pictures; Eva Burrell, dorylies; Annie and Benj. Washington, glass pitcher; T. W. Edwards and wife, berry spoon; L. A. Adams and wife, sugar spoon; Martha Lee, lace handkerchief; W. D. Nixon and wife, silver butter dish; King's Daughters, half doz. teaspoons and silver strainer.

SMALLEST LOT IN NEW YORK

Occupies a Prominent Position and the Owner Refuses to Sell It. The smallest piece of real estate in New York in an odd-shaped corner lot somewhat smaller than a double page of a newspaper. This limited estate is at the north west corner of Fourteenth street and Irving place. It occupies a curious little niche in the corner property, and has a frontage of a few inches on both these important streets. Taxes are regularly paid on it, and the high rent which its owner demands for it has been paid regularly for years.



The property is so small that a man of ordinary height can readily stand with a foot on either of its boundaries. Despite its diminutive size it has been used for several purposes. A newsstand was once located there and attracted customers from both streets. In using the lot even for this purpose, however, it was found necessary to occupy part of sidewalk in front. The entire estate was taken up with but two or three piles of folded papers. The man who presided over the newsstand was obliged to stand on his neighbor's property while he reached over his own to hand a customer a paper. At another time a peanut stand was set up and the entire property was taken up with the roasting apparatus, and if a peanut was knocked off the stand it fell on the next neighbor's grounds. The smallest estate is now occupied by a substantial little pavilion covered with an elaborate roof which extends out over its limits. This diminutive estate is supposed to have been due to a mistake of the surveyors years ago. The present owner will not listen to any offers for its sale. It has been rented for years for \$50 a month, and he is well satisfied with the investment. The most determined effort to buy the estate has been made by the owners of the hotel which occupies the adjoining site, but the owner of the smallest estate declares that his property is not on the market.

The Machete. As a defensive weapon the value of the machete is small. Even its offensive effect depends less on the weapon itself than on the continual and skillful usage made of it by the Cuban peasant from his earlier age, which imparts a peculiar training to the muscles of the wrist and arm of the operator. The consequence of this skill is that, whenever a quarrel occurs between two "guajros" or "monteros," they settle the matter with their machetes as courageously and tenaciously as two game cocks, and generally both parties are seriously injured for life, or remain killed on the spot. Owing to this fact, and to the natural kindly disposition of the Cuban peasants, they are not a quarrelsome people, and respect everybody, to be equally respected. With the machete a few curious accessories are used: the principal are a thin strip of leather closely tied to the right wrist, a small round piece of grinding stone to sharpen the edge of the tool, and, whenever the machete is employed to cut down the thorny heath of tropical vegetation a small branch of special shape, called the "garabato," is used to hold the heath, and do rapid work without being injured by thorns.

The Sand Desert of India. The sand ridges, or dhoras, of the Indian desert spring from low cross ridges, or saddles, like closed fingers from the knuckles of the back of the hand, but in reverse and parallel directions. This is to say, the ridges face both north-east and south-west, covering a longitudinal distance of one or two miles, when they are again repeated in a similar formation. Their cross slopes average 2 to 1, and are well covered with desert grasses and bushes, an occasional acacia or roblira tree breaking the monotony of the landscape. This peculiar formation ends abruptly at the sandstone cliffs of Sata, about one thousand feet above sea-level, which form a barrier to their further extension eastwards. When seen for the first time from these heights, they have a confused wavelike appearance, and it is only ultimately discovered that they form in plan parallel, but tapering, ridges. With the exception of the field rat, animal life is absent, and the old trade route is mostly indicated by the skeletons of camels, which dot the track at short intervals.—The Engineering Magazine.

The White Ink Fad. The latest dalliance to be assumed by millady in connection with her correspondence is the use of a delicate white ink, to correspond with the white crest or monogram. This is used only with the most delicate tints of paper or the deepest. For instance, the deep Russian blue or the Sultan red shows to good advantage under white ink. The prettiest of them all, however, are the Wedgewood effects in blues of several shades, the blue gray being the most effective. The monograms and crests used with the Wedgewood blue papers are of the tints to carry out the Wedgewood effect in its entirety. Of course, nothing but pure white wax must be used with this combination.

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The performance will conclude with the funny up-to-date burlesque entitled "An Alderman's Election," introducing the following members, Violet Griffin; Alice Sanson; Flossie Le Van; Maud Gordon; Lillie Clements; Ada Carlton; Marie Howe; Ray Clark; Flossie Hughes and others. In addition to the above mammoth company the pictures of the Sharkey and McCoy contest which took place at the Lenox athletic club, New York, will be produced in life motion at every performance showing the full ten rounds and also the knock down McCoy delivered to Sharkey and the famous knock-out blow.

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Miss Hattie Hebbon is out again.

Col. Robt. H. Key paid a visit to Richmond, Va., last week.

Miss Johnson of the public schools was married this week.

Mrs. Turner of 6th street extended, who has been quite sick, is improving.

Rev. R. B. Robinson has been elected supreme industrial educator of the Loyal Legion of Labor.

Lieut. Smith of the 10th immunes has returned to his desk in the War Department.

Maj. Wm. T. Warmesley of the 23rd Kansas passed through the city Saturday.

We are sorry to lose Miss Ethel Davis and Miss Emma Cusberd, but young girls will get married.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Carter are enjoying the presence of a five bouncing baby boy.

Mr. Henry Baker of the Patent Office, who happened to a very painful accident a few weeks ago, is able to be out again.

Miss Julia R. Grant is still confined to her home by sickness. Her speedy recovery is hoped for by her many friends.

The marriage of Miss Ethel Davis to Dr. Wiche, formerly a clerk in the Recorder's Office, will take place next month. It is understood that it will be a high noon affair.

Mr. David Bummery of Alexandria, has accepted the position of head waiter at the Hygea. Mr. Nace Jackson of this city goes with him as second man.

The smallpox scare at the Randall school is still at fever heat. The attendance of pupils this week was very poor.

Miss Celia Johnson, a very energetic teacher in the public schools was quietly married to Mr. Delnox this week.

Mrs. India Ruffin of Norfolk, Va., a very accomplished young widow was married to Mr. Fernando D. Lee, Wednesday March 1st in the city of Baltimore.

The Excelsior Circle gave a parlor social on last Thursday night at 630 M street northwest, for the benefit of the Israel Bethel C. M. E. Church. It was largely attended.

It is rumored that one of our young teachers will wed in June. The groom to be is one of our soldier boys.

Mr. J. W. Walker does not have much time nowadays for music. The medical school is claiming most of his time.

The marriage of Miss Emma Cusberd and Mr. Walter L. Lewis, which took place at the 19th Street Baptist church last Wednesday night was a brilliant affair.

The Presidents Glee Club of Howard University will give a vocal and instrumental entertainment at the 15th St. Presbyterian church Friday evening March 24th. This is one of the best known glee clubs in this city. Admission 15 cents. Go early if you want a seat.

MUSICAL NOTES.

Mr. Walter Loving a Washington boy made a splendid record as band master of the 10th U. S. V. Infantry, on the mustering out of the regiment last week. The Colonel of the 10th presented him with a handsome instrument.

Miss Helen Adams seems to be in great demand nowadays, this young lady has recovered all of her old time form.

The syndicate controlling the Hoffman Concert Band will tender a reception to the returning officers and troops of the 8th and 10th U. S. V. I. at Grand Army Hall on the evening of Friday March 24th it is expected that a parade will take place in the afternoon.

The Amphion Glee Club is rehearsing some fine selections which have been issued from the press. Director J. H. Lewis is also preparing a fine program for Easter Sunday at Asbury church.

Earnest Hogan, the funny colored comedian, is singing with grand success with Black Patti's Troubadors.

Hon. J. P. Green, Chief of Stamp Division P. O. D., will address the Congressional Lyceum, Odd Fellows Hall, 106 M street northwest tomorrow afternoon at 3 p. m. Subject: "The American Negro."

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At THE BEE Office, two young ladies to learn the printing business, one boy, two collectors and five canvassers for the semi-weekly BEE. Call between the hours of 3:30 and 4:30 o'clock p. m.

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Tom L. Johnson, the New Apostle of Single Tax—His Rapid Rise From Obscurity to Fame—Made a Colossal Fortune By Combining Street Railways.

Once again Tom Johnson comes before the country as a reformer and single-tax agitator. He is now worth millions and he abandons the railroads and steel works to devote his time to spreading abroad the single-tax philosophy of Henry George.

The magnitude of his recent Brooklyn street railway transactions is still a matter of public interest and wonderment.

It was a historic event in railroad finance when the Whitney-Flower syndicate closed the colossal deal with Tom Johnson for the seventeen street railroads of Brooklyn.

The hours of the afternoon had passed away. Evening had come, and the representatives of the allied millions in traction sat with certified checks in their hands, waiting for Tom Johnson, the Napoleon of the situation, to come down a little in his price.

So great was the interest at stake that the national banks and trust companies had not closed, although it was long after nine o'clock in the evening.

At last, when it was seen that Tom Johnson would not yield, his terms were accepted, certified checks representing millions were passed over, treasurers and secretaries rushed away to the banks and trust companies as the lawyers added the closing endorsements to the papers that had been signed and sealed.

When only a lad Tom Johnson was living with his parents in Louisville, where he received a common school education.

At the age of fifteen he was errand boy, clerk, and later an assistant in all work in the office of the Louisville Street Railway Company.

He continually heard of the great need of certain devices for switches and car machinery. He was a healthy vigorous chap, with a bucketful of brains in his big head which he stirred up to advantage.

He invented a new nickel-in-the-slot box for street cars running in suburban towns, without a conductor, where passengers are few and dividends invisible.

Next he invented an automatic switch, then the patent high steel rail now used on all great lines.

When only twenty-two young Johnson had received enough from his inventions to enable him with the little money he was able to control outside his fund to buy a street railway in Indianapolis.

Johnson's management was magical. Improved cars appeared. People were not ashamed to ride on the smart line, and poured money in until Johnson was able to buy a broken-down street car property in Cleveland, Ohio.

The boy financier from the West was looked upon as too insignificant to worry about, but he soon built up a competition and presently there was a fierce railroad fight.



TOM L. JOHNSON.

He paralleled monopoly lines and brought the rich men of the city to his feet. He was soon acknowledged king of the street railway business.

The running of the system required the new patent steel rail which Johnson had invented.

So the young man organized a steel company to manufacture his patent rails and automatic switches for the rest of the world. Everything that Johnson touched turned to thousand dollar bills. They fluttered into his vault like leaves in autumn.

In Cleveland he boldly ran for Congress on the single-tax ticket, just to break the ice for the new movement. He was defeated, but by so small a majority that the old politicians doubled their doses of whiskey and quinine, and wondered if human nature had reversed its record.

In the campaign of 1890 he tried it again and was sent to Congress by 3,400 majority. That the Western Reserve wise men were paralyzed did not express the situation of that day.

Tom Johnson is declared to be one of the few men who are sincere and serious still always self-contained and smiling. He does the work of ten men yet never seems busy. He appears everywhere except in barrooms; has board meetings downtown and uptown, and business of an important character with many interests at stake, and yet he is never in a hurry and turns up serenely about dinner time at home, where he is the most domestic of men, and takes life as it is, even an afternoon jaunt or a pleasure fishing excursion.

And now it is this Tom Johnson, who began his career as a poor boy, without friends or money, who invented wonderful machines, made improvements in railways which brought him a surprising income; who became a millionaire, owning steel works and railways—this Tom Johnson now turns Tolstoi, proposes to leave it all and devote himself heart and soul to spreading the gospel of single-tax according to Henry George.

His heart is in the work. His soul flames when he preaches his "holy crusade" against taxation, and he announces himself ready to labor in the vineyard wherever the cause may call him.

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Home of the Secretary of State One of the Finest in Washington—All Are Well Adapted for Solid Comfort and Entertainment—House of the Secretary of War Is Commodious.

The cabinet homes are quite an imposing group at present, and President McKinley's official family is well housed. Five members of the cabinet circle are housekeeping, and the others who are not, the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of the Interior, have the comforts of home without their responsibilities.

The home of the Secretary of State is one of the finest in Washington, and its interior beauties are already well known to nearly every one prominent in society. The house was built not many years ago by Mr. Hay, and has every modern convenience and luxury. Its adornment in wood and marble is of a character which improves with age. It is spacious and well adapted to purposes of official hospitality. Perhaps what would strike the average visitor most, however, is the fact that it has few dark corners, and the drawing rooms are especially sunshiny and cheerful. The driveway approaches the front steps, and the entrance is broad and spacious, in keeping with the wide hall and stairway. The hall divides the house, and is quite the feature of it, being as spacious as the rooms. The dining room, which has a fine marble fire-place and wide hearth, is on the north. A reception room and the drawing rooms are on the south.



HOME OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL. Side of the house. The library, where family portraits hang above the well-lined shelves, is one of the finest rooms in the house.

Secretary Gage's home, while a single house, affords plenty of room. The entrance hall has one side of the wall nearly covered by a large mirror. The drawing room has light woodwork, embellished with gilt Napoleonic garlands, and the carpets and hangings are in Nile green. The square hall about in the middle of the house is furnished almost like a room. It has a wide fireplace and an elaborately carved stone mantel. The staircase is broad, and at about half the height of the story there is a landing, from which more steps lead on either side to the chambers on the second floor.

The home of the Secretary of War, is commodious and its arrangements have already well stood the test in accommodating large companies. The rooms on the front of the English basement make convenient waiting and office rooms. The stairway, which is comfortably provided with useful landings, leads to the drawing



SECRETARY GAGE'S RESIDENCE.

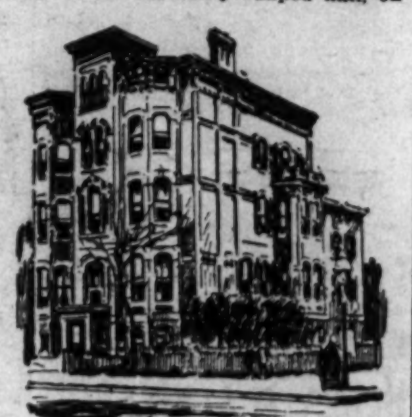
room floor. The hall window, always filled with plants, makes a pretty effect. The drawing room is deep and broad and is handsomely furnished. Many of the paintings belong to Secretary Alger's private collection and are examples of the best modern artists. The music room at the rear of the drawing room has yellow hangings and yellow tints prevail in it generally.

Attorney General Griggs' house has something of the effect of a double house, the hall having a window. The hall and the staircase make a very ornamental feature and are lighted by a fine stained glass window at the top of the first landing. The drawing room is ample and is richly furnished, light tints prevailing. The dining room is at the rear of the parlor suite, which, in size and elegance, affords splendid facilities for the comfortable moving about of a large gathering.

Postmaster General and Mrs. Smith

have leased the former residence of Mrs. Lindsley. It is a modern mansion, and is well arranged and well furnished. The drawing rooms and dining room are on the first floor, and the substantial-looking oak stairway is also an ornamental feature. The house is well furnished, and splendidly arranged for entertaining.

The Secretary of Agriculture and Miss Wilson have a cozy residence which is bright and cheerful in every part. The house was just finished when they leased it and its decoration was after Miss Wilson's direction. It has an oddly shaped hall, on



SECRETARY ALGER'S HOME.

which the parlor, music room and dining room, which are on opposite sides, open. The cozy corner and Turkish corner in the hall are exceedingly tasteful. All the furniture came from the western home of the Secretary, and has the familiar look which recalls their old fireside. Secretary Wilson's household consists of his two sons and daughter, Miss Wilson, who presides for him.

MILLIONS IN HIS MIND.

Has a Scheme to Take Unlimited Quantities of Gold From the Earth.

In the jail of Fulton county, Georgia, near the Queen City of the Southland, Atlanta, there is confined for the non-payment of a bill of \$15 a man who claims to have at his command the secret for acquiring millions plus millions of dollars. His name is David J. Telfair, and his scheme, as it affects latter day science, must take rank with such marvels of romance as the story of Aladdin and his wonderful lamp, Colonel Mulberry Sellers and his fortune producing plans and the vaporous vision of the gentleman who claims to have discovered a practical means of hatching ten-dollar gold pieces from hard boiled eggs.

Mr. Telfair's scheme in a nutshell is this:—He will place two poles in the auriferous ground, distant from each other ten miles, turn on a powerful current and then sit with a big mouthed pouch or a tank at the negative end and wait for the good yellow metal to make its appearance from the positive pole and drop conveniently into his receptacle.

Such a paltry detail as the too, too solid rock, which ordinarily requires a persistent and heroic drilling to impress will not figure at all, as the current will catch up the nuggets in its tenacious grasp and hurry them along for miles through their adamantine bed, the golden current being augmented every minute until it becomes a raging, seething torrent when it emerges from the earth at the point where the watchful Telfair sits to garner his "treasure."

Mr. Telfair is a man to remember. When he talks his eyes grow round and wondrous, his tones take on a caressingly convincing cadence, and there is the tinkle of astral bells and the busy yet subdued sound of unseen wheels revolving through the air suspiciously near the Telfair apex. Mr. Telfair was familiarly of Barney Barnato and their experiences in South Africa. There was a mammoth fortune in store for both, and Barnato's suicide would have been needless had he followed Telfair's advice. But Barnato grew jealous. This was after Telfair had put in four epileptics in South African soil and was getting out gold very rapidly on plates. These plates he sent to London, and the "clean up" showed the tidy accumulation of \$800,000 in gold.

Mr. Telfair is a Georgian and the promoter of a mining company with the modest capitalization of \$100,000. He calls his process an elaboration of the electrolysis idea. He is at present a resident of the county jail because, as he explains it, he refused to pay a bill for \$15 worth of shoes a second time after he had once reimbursed the dealer.

It isn't the amount of the bill that Telfair objects to; it's the principle of the thing, he says.

Champion Horseback Rider.

The champion long-distance horseback rider of the world resides near Allensville, Ky. He is a prominent farmer living three and one-half miles from that place, and owns another farm one mile and three-quarters from where he resides. Every morning bright and early he rides to the back of the farm where he resides, a distance of one mile, and returns, making two miles. Then he goes to his other farm, a distance of one mile and three-quarters, and returns, making three and one-half miles.

Then he comes to Allensville, a distance of three and one-half miles, and returns, making seven miles. That makes twelve and one-half miles he rides every morning. In the afternoon he makes the same trips. After supper he goes to Allensville and returns home, making in all thirty miles a day. He does this every day in the year, making 11,680 miles a year. He travels at least 720 miles a year fishing and hunting, making a grand total of 12,400 miles a year. He has done this steadily for twenty years, making in all 248,000 miles. He travels every two years a distance equal to the circumference of the earth, so if he had kept a straight course for the past twenty years he would have been around the world ten times. He is likely to keep this up for twenty years longer.

A Marvelous Escape.

Sandow slipped during the performance of his feat of holding up a piano with the pianist at a Liverpool theatre, the result being the smashing of the piano, a week in bed for the pianist, but no harm to Sandow himself.

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